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Serial No.: 10/783,534  
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Entitled: CLONING VECTORS AND VECTOR COMPONENTS

Group No.: 1636  
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## REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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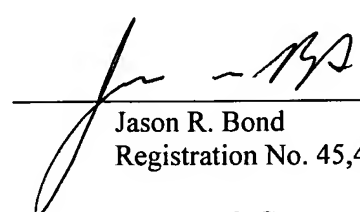
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